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In re PATENT APPLICATION of:

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For: **METHOD, SYSTEM AND PROGRAM  
FOR DETERMINING A FILE FORMAT  
FOR USE IN A TRANSLATION  
OPERATION**

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patent  
and Trademarks  
Alexandria, VA 22314

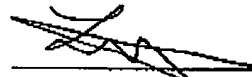
Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed April 22, 2004 (Paper No. 8), applicant requests reconsideration and submits the attached amendatory papers. No additional fees are due.

**In the Claims**

Please replace the original claims of the application with the attached substitute claims beginning on page 5 of this reply.

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